

to the people of Wisconsin and the country who are caught in the political cross-fires of Washington, D.C. And it does nothing to help our economy or create jobs—in fact, just the opposite; it will be shrinking the economy between now and September 30.

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The people of this country deserve a comprehensive national budget. I don't know why we can't get the Republicans to appoint conferees so we can have that budget. But until they do, we're going to continue to have the squabbles that you find all too often in Congress that don't address the sequester and don't give this country a roadmap for our finance's budget. Once again, we are likely not to have a national budget.

I would urge my Republican colleagues to appoint the budget conferees immediately so that we can not only pass a budget, but we can replace the sequester cuts for everyone, not just those who are the most well connected.

I would like to talk just briefly in closing about the income gap that we have. There's another way of talking about this chart. When you talked about the bottom 1 percent being an inch to the 5 miles represented by the top 1 percent of the top 1 percent, let me share another statistic that was shared with me.

If you talk about that 1 inch being a football field, the top 1 percent of the top 1 percent is equivalent to 86 football fields. So 1 inch of a football field to 86 football fields. That's the gap in wages that we have with this inequality.

With that, Mr. Speaker, the Progressive Caucus was glad to be able to talk tonight about income inequality.

I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ROYCE (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of his par-

ticipation in the official visit of President Park Geun-hye of South Korea to Los Angeles County.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1071. An act to specify the size of the precious-metal blanks that will be used in the production of the National Baseball Hall of Fame commemorative coins.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, May 9, 2013, at 9 a.m.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the first quarter of 2013 pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013.

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Paul Terry	1/10	1/15	Germany		1,363.59						1,363.59
	1/15	1/17	Sweden		845.24						845.24
	1/17	1/19	United Kingdom		1,013.14						1,013.14
	1/19		United States		8.60						8.60
Commercial Airfare							5,298.78				5,298.78
Miscellaneous Transportation Costs							154.14				154.14
Hon. Jack Kingston	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,982.19		(³)				1,982.19
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		278.00		(³)				278.00
Miscellaneous Embassy Costs							(³)		4,322.12		4,322.12
Hon. Adam B. Schiff	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Embassy Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
John Bartrum	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Tom O'Brien	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.00		(³)				294.00
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Betsy Bina	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Hon. Jo Bonner	2/21	2/23	Philippines		474.00		(³)				474.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Expenses									28.35		28.35
Hon. Frank Wolf		2/17	United States								
	2/18	2/20	Lebanon		84.00						84.00
	2/20	2/22	Egypt		184.00						184.00
	2/22		United States								
Return of Unused Per Diem					-151.00						-151.00
Commercial Airfare							9,123.00				9,123.00
Committee total					18,920.35		14,575.92		21,638.95		55,135.22

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

³ Military air transportation.